

CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-28 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims.

048 sub C17 29. (New) A method for coordinating a plurality of communications in a plurality of media in an information processing system, comprising:
communicating between a user node and each of a plurality of media servers directly and not through other of said media servers, wherein each of the media servers communicates in a different one of the plurality of the media; and
in response to control communications between one of the media servers and the user node, the one media server controlling the communicating between the user node and the plurality of the media servers to coordinate presentation of communications in the plurality of the media at the user node.

30. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein:
coordinating comprises
in response to control communications between a chat server and the user node, the chat server controlling the communicating between the user node and the plurality of the media servers.

31. (New) The method of claim 30 wherein:
communicating comprises
the user node communicating with the chat server and a streaming media server.

32. (New) The method of claim 30 wherein:

communicating comprises

the user node communicating with the chat server, a streaming media server, and a web server.

33. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein:

controlling comprises

the one media server receiving control communications from a user of the user node; and

348 in response, the one media server controlling the communicating between the user node and the plurality of the media servers to coordinate the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media to the user.

34. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein:

controlling comprises

passing control communications between the one media server and a client of the one media server in the user node to coordinate the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at the user node; and

cooperating between the one media server and the client of the one media server to present communications in the medium of the one media server at the user node.

35. (New) The method of claim 34 wherein:
passing control communications comprises
selecting communications at the user node; and
passing the control communications between the one media server and the client
of the one media server to cause only the selected communications to be presented at the
user node.

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36. (New) The method of claim 34 wherein:
passing control communications comprises
selecting media at the user node at a time; and
passing the control communications between the one media server and the client
of the media server to cause communications in the selected media to be presented at the
user node at the time.

37. (New) The method of claim 34 wherein:
passing control communications comprises
the client of the one media server receiving control signals from a user of the user
node; and
in response, the client of the one media server passing the control
communications between the client and the one media server to coordinate presentation
of the communications in the plurality of the media to the user.

38. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein:

communicating comprises

communicating between each media server and that media server's own corresponding client in the user node to present the communications in the plurality of the media at the user node; and

coordinating comprises

the client of the one media server and the clients of other said media servers passing control communications between them to coordinate the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at the user node;

the client of the one media server and the one media server passing the control communications between them to coordinate the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at the user node;

the client of the one media server and the one media server cooperating to present communications in the medium of the one media server at the user node; and

the one media server controlling communicating between others of the media servers and their corresponding clients to coordinate the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at the user node.

39. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein:

communicating comprises

communicating between each of the media servers and each of a plurality of user nodes in the different one of the plurality of the media directly and not through another of said media servers; and

coordinating comprises

in response to control communications between the one media server and the clients of the one media server on the plurality of the user nodes, the one media server controlling the communicating between the plurality of the user nodes and the plurality of the media servers to coordinate presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at each of the plurality of the user nodes.

40. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein:

communicating between each of the media servers and each of a plurality of user nodes comprises

originating the communications in at least some of the media at some of the user nodes.

41. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein:

communicating between each of the media servers and each of a plurality of user nodes comprises

originating the communications in at least some of the media at some of the user nodes; and

presenting the originated communications at others of the user nodes.

42. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein:

the one media server controlling the communicating between the plurality of the user nodes and the plurality of the media servers comprises

the one media server coordinating the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media independently of each of multiple ones of the plurality of the user nodes.

43. (New) The method of claim 39 wherein:

the one media server controlling the communicating between the plurality of the user nodes and the plurality of the media servers comprises

the one media server coordinating the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media jointly at multiple ones of the plurality of the user nodes.

44. (New) A system for coordinating a plurality of communications in a plurality of media in an information processing system, comprising:

a plurality of media servers each for communicating in a different one of the plurality of the media with a user node directly and not through another of said media servers; and

one of the media servers being responsive to control communications between the one media server and the user node for controlling the communicating between the user node and the plurality of the media servers to coordinate presentation of communications in the plurality of the media at the user node.

45. (New) The system of claim 44 wherein:

the one media server is a chat server.

46. (New) The system of claim 45 wherein:
another of the media servers is a streaming media server.

47. (New) The system of claim 46 wherein:
yet another of the media servers is a web server.

48. (New) The system of claim 44 wherein:
the one media server controls the communicating in the plurality of the media in
response to control communications received from a user of the user node to coordinate
presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media to the user.

49. (New) The system of claim 44 further comprising:
a client of the one media server in the user node, the client and the one media
server passing control communications between them to coordinate the presentation of
the communications in the plurality of the media at the user node and cooperating to
present communications in the medium of the one media server at the user node.

50. (New) The system of claim 49 wherein:
the client of the one media server and the one media server pass the control
communications to cause only communications selected at the user node to be presented
at the user node.

51. (New) The system of claim 49 wherein:

the client of the one media server and the one media server pass the control communications to cause communications in media selected at the user node to be presented at the user node at a time selected at the user node.

52. (New) The system of claim 49 wherein:

the client of the one media server responds to control signals received from a user of the user node by passing the control communications between the client and the one media server to coordinate presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media to the user.

53. (New) The system of claim 44 further comprising:

1048 a corresponding client for each of the media servers in the user node, the client of the one media server and the clients of the other media servers passing control communications between them to coordinate the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at the user node; wherein

the client of the one media server and the one media server pass the control communications between them to coordinate the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at the user node, and cooperate to present communications in the medium of the one media server at the user node; and

the one media server controlling communicating between the others of the media servers and their corresponding clients to coordinate the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at the user node.

54. (New) The system of claim 44 wherein:

each of the plurality of the media servers communicates in the different one of the plurality of the media with a plurality of user nodes directly and not through another of said media servers; and

the one media server is responsive to control communications between the one media server and the plurality of the user nodes for controlling the communicating between the plurality of the user nodes and the plurality of the media servers to coordinate presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at each of the plurality of the user nodes.

55. (New) The system of claim 54 wherein:

the communications in at least some of the media originate at some of the user nodes.

56. (New) The system of claim 54 wherein:

the communications in at least some of the media originate at some of the user nodes and are presented at others of the user nodes.

57. (New) The system of claim 54 wherein:

the one media server coordinates the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media independently at each of multiple ones of the plurality of the user nodes.

58. (New) The system of claim 54 wherein:

the one media server coordinates the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media jointly at multiple ones of the plurality of the user nodes.

59. (New) An interface for coordinating a plurality of communications in a plurality of media at a user node of an information processing system, comprising:

a plurality of clients in the user node, each for communicating in a different one of a plurality of media with a corresponding one of a plurality of media servers directly and not through another of said media servers, and for presenting communications in the plurality of the media at the user node; and

one of the clients passing control communications with its corresponding media server for causing the corresponding media server to control the communicating between the plurality of the clients and the plurality of the media servers to coordinate the presenting of the communications in the plurality of the media by the plurality of the clients at the user node.

60. (New) The interface of claim 59 wherein:

the one client is a chat client.

61. (New) The interface of claim 60 wherein:

another of the clients is a streaming media client.

62. (New) The interface of claim 61 wherein:

yet another of the clients is a web browser.

63. (New) The interface of claim 59 wherein:

the one client passes the control communications with the corresponding media server in response to control signals received from a user of the user node, for causing the corresponding media server to control the communicating between the plurality of the clients and the plurality of the media servers to coordinate presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media to the user and causing the corresponding media server to provide communications in the medium of the corresponding media server to the one client for presentation to the user.

64. (New) The interface of claim 63 wherein:

the one client passes the control communications to inform the corresponding media server of the user's selection of communications in any of the plurality of the media for the presentation to the user.

65. (New) The interface of claim 63 wherein:

the client passes the control communications to inform the corresponding media server of the user's selection of communications in any of the plurality of media for the presentation to the user at a particular time.

66. (New) The interface of claim 59 wherein:

the one client and other said clients further pass control communications between them to coordinate the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at the user node; and

the one client cooperates with the corresponding media server to present communications in the medium of the corresponding media server at the user node.

67. (New) The interface of claim 59 for an information processing system comprising a plurality of the user nodes, wherein:

the communications in at least some of the media presented at said user node originate at others of the user nodes.

68. (New) The interface of claim 59 for an information processing system comprising a plurality of the user nodes wherein:

communications in at least some of the media originate at said user node and are presented at others of the user nodes.

69. (New) The interface of claim 59 for an information processing system comprising a plurality of the user nodes wherein:

the one client causes the corresponding media server to coordinate the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at said user node independently of presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at others of the user nodes.

70. (New) The interface of claim 59 for an information processing system comprising a plurality of the user nodes wherein:

B48 the one client causes the corresponding media server to coordinate the presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at said user node jointly with presentation of the communications in the plurality of the media at others of the user nodes.
